

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – DOCUMENTS RELATED TO
GERMAN OPPOSITION PROCEEDING**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is a PTO/SB/08 Equivalent listing new references, all of which are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement – Documents Related to German Opposition Proceedings – includes documents related to a foreign proceeding in Germany related to a foreign counterpart to U.S. Patent No. 5,818,630, which is owned by the assignee of the present application (IMRA America, Inc.), has the same inventors as the present application, and is incorporated by reference therein. The documents relate to an appeal of a patent opposition proceeding before the German Patent and Trademark Office on November 14, 2012, decided on December 5, 2012, by IPG Laser GmbH against German Patent No. 198 61 429 B4, the German counterpart to U.S. Patent No. 5,818,630.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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Timing of Disclosure

The present application is undergoing appeal. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the references listed herein; however, if the references cannot be considered prior to the disposition of the appeal, Applicant respectfully requests this Information Disclosure Statement and enclosed references be placed in the file pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(i). No fee is required.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,
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